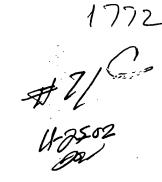


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 16, 2002 requiring an election of inventions, Applicants submit the Remarks presented below. Additionally, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: